

OXFORD.

1. Erected into a Town, Port, and Place of Trade, under the Name of *The Town Land*, near *Treadhaven Creek*. 1683, *ch.* 5.
2. Constituted a Town, Port, and Place of Trade, under the Name of *Oxford*, and the Collector of the District and Naval Officer, or their lawful Deputies, to reside there constantly for the Dispatch of Shipping. 1694, *ch.* 8.
3. No Inhabitants to raise any Stock of Cattle, &c. more than they can raise on their respective Lots. *Ibid.* §. 8.
4. The Town to be laid out anew, and one or more Places for Ship-building to be reserved: A Naval Officer to reside there, and the Town for the future, to be called *Williamstadt*. 1695, *ch.* 7.
5. Established as a Port. 1706, *ch.* 14.
6. Swine and Geese not to be raised therein. 1747, *ch.* 6.

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**P**ACKING. See *Falfe Packing*.

PALATINE.

This Province erected into a County Palatine.

See the CHARTER, §. IV.

PAPISTS. See *Country Bottoms*, 7. *Delegates*, 9, 10. *Irish Servants*, 3—6. *Protestant Interest*, 8.

PARISH-BOUNDS.

1. The Justices of the several Counties, wherein the Bounds of any Parish are uncertain, or ambiguously expressed, are impowered to ascertain and regulate the same; and shall cause their Proceedings therein, to be entered in the County Records. 1713, *ch.* 10, §. 2.
  2. Where a Parish lies in two Counties, the Justices of that County, wherein the disputable Bounds of such Parish is contained, shall determine; and cause such determination to be recorded. *Ibid.* §. 3.
  3. —For the original Power whereby the several County Courts were authorized to divide their respective Counties into Parishes, and ascertain their Bounds, see 1692, *ch.* 2.
  4. —For the several subsequent Divisions and Regulation of Bounds of particular Parishes by Acts of Assembly; see the INDEX to Private, Parochial and Town Laws, under the respective Names of such Parishes.
- PARISH-CLERK. See *Ministers*, 2.
- PARISH REGISTER. See *Protestant Interest*, 7, *Records*, 12. *Vestry*, 8, 11—18.
- PAROCHIAL CHARGES. See *Inspectors Notes*, 7, 8. *Levies*, 11, 17, 20, 23, 28. *Vestry*, 11, 27. *Fines*, &c. 12, 13.

PAROCHIAL LIBRARIES.

1. Parochial Libraries shall remain in Possession of the several Incumbents, who shall preserve the same from Waste and Imbezzlement, and be accountable for the same to the Governor, Council and Assembly. 1704, *ch.* 56, §. 1.
2. The Incumbent, to that Purpose, shall pass two Receipts for the Books; one of which shall be transmitted to the Governor and Council, and the other to remain with the Vestry, and be entered in their Register-Book. *Ibid.* §. 2.
3. The Vestry shall visit and inspect the Parochial Library twice a Year, and in case of Neglect, shall forfeit 1400<sup>th</sup> Tobacco; one Half to the Support of Government, the other Half to the Informer: And the *Onus probandi* to lie upon the Vestry. *Ibid.* §. 3.
4. The Vestry have Power to sue the Minister, his Executors, &c. for the full Value of the Books wanting, in case of Damage or Imbezzlement. *Ibid.* §. 4.
5. The Incumbent, in case of Removal, shall deliver such Library to the Vestry, and make Satisfaction for any Damage or Waste (except by Fire or other

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- unavoidable Accident) before his Departure out of the Parish: Or, in case of the Death of the Incumbent, the Vestry shall take Charge of such Library, pass their Receipts for the same, and be accountable as aforesaid. *Ibid.* §. 5.
6. The Governor, for better preserving such Libraries, may appoint Visitors to report the true State of them to his Excellency and the Council, that they may make Orders for the effectual Preservation of them. *Ibid.* §. 6.
- PAROLE DEMUR. See *Continuance of Actions*, 3.
- PAROLE GIFT. See *Negroes*, 50.

PASSES.

1. Persons, intending to depart the Province, shall give Notice thereof, by setting up their Names for Three Months in the Secretary's Office, and at the Court-House Door of the County where they reside. And if, in the Time aforesaid, no Person shall underwrite them, then, on Certificate thereof from the Clerk of the Provincial Court, and Clerk of the County, a Pass may be granted by the Governor, Keeper of the Great Seal, or Secretary. 1715, *ch.* 19, §. 1.
  2. The Secretary's Fee for signing the Pass shall be 2s. 6d. and to the Clerks of the Provincial and County Courts, 12d. each. *Ibid.*
  3. Any Person necessitated to depart the Province on sudden Occasion, may have a Pass, on giving Security to the Governor, &c. for the Payment of all Debts, &c. due or demandable from him, without setting up such Notes. *Ibid.*
  4. Masters of Ships, or other Persons, conveying, by Land or Water, out of this Province, any Person Indebted, without such Pass, shall be liable to satisfy all his Debts, Engagements, &c. to the Persons to whom they shall be due, unless otherwise satisfied, or unless such Transporter, &c. procure such Person to return within a Month, so as to be liable to Justice here. *Ibid.* §. 2.
  5. Persons conveying or transporting over *Susquehanna River*, or any Part of the Bay above the North Side of *Sassafras River*, on the Eastern Shore; or over *Patowmack*, or *Pocomoke Rivers*, into *Virginia*, any Persons without such Pass as aforesaid, or a Certificate under the Hands of Two County Justices, and the County Seal thereto, that the Travelling Persons are Free Men, and clear from Engagements impeding their Travelling, shall be answerable to the Creditors, Masters or Owners of such Persons, for all Debts or Damages. *Ibid.* §. 4.
- See *Indians*, 12. *Runaways*, 2, 3.
- PATENT. See *Certificate Lands*.
- PATRONAGE. See *Advowson*.
- PAUPER ESTATES. See *Deputy-Commissary*, 4, 9, 12.
- PAWNS. See *Indians*, 4.
- PEACE and Good Government secured. See *Lord Proprietary*, 7—11.
- PENAL Acts of Parliament. See *Advancement of Justice*, 2. *Popery*. *Toleration*.
- PENSION. See *Militia*, 10, 11.

PERJURY.

1. Any Person corruptly procuring any Witness to commit Perjury in any Matter depending in Suit in any Court of Record within this Province, or corruptly procuring or suborning any Witness to be sworn in *perpetuam Rei Memoriam*; and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall forfeit 40 l. Sterling: Or, not having Goods to the Value, shall suffer One Year's Imprisonment without Bail, and stand One Hour in the Pillory. 1692, *ch.* 16, §. 2.
2. Any Person convicted of wilful and corrupt Perjury, whether by Subornation, or otherwise, in any Court of Record, or being examined in *perpetuam Rei Memoriam*, shall forfeit 20 l. Sterling, and suffer Six Months Imprisonment, without Bail: Or, not having Goods